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Debates spark discourse



Adrienne Price photo

Chad Grills, of the College Republicans, and Billy Wooten, of the SU Dems! discuss issues surrounding the Iraq War at last Tuesday's debate.

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Last Tuesday Salisbury University hosted a night of political discourse as it presented the first ever SU Dems! versus SU Republicans political debate, as well as the "Meeting of the Minds" two-panel discussion about the Presidential candidates. The evening began with the debate between the two political organizations, and was moderated by Political Science Professor Adam Hoffman.

"This is an opportunity to have students who are involved with the election and their respective candidates to let their voice be heard, and to allow other students to have an exchange of ideas," he said.

The Republican panel was led by the organization's treasurer Chris Larkin, while the Democrat panel was led by their president, freshman Hyo Bin Sung. Both clubs were also represented by additional members, and in the Republicans' case, a serviceman of the Iraq war. A

brief opening by both parties was followed by topical questions written by the clubs themselves.

Prior to beginning, Hoffman addressed the audience of students and faculty and referenced the rowdiness of the past political debate hosted by Salisbury including congressional candidates Andy Harris and Frank Kratovil. "Let's try to show that

students are a little bit more respectful and mature when it comes to listening to these debaters," Hoffman said.

The students were open to questioning from the audience and the opposing party. After discussing the economy, the energy crisis, national security, and education, both parties were able to relay their position to the audience, and allowed for a better understanding of their policies.

"I was very happy with our performance," Sung said. "The other side represented themselves very respectfully as well, so I was very pleased. I think as the debate went on, the audience became more engaged, and I feel that both our clubs got our points across."

Larkin was also pleased with his party's representation and wasn't surprised that every question during the open-floor part of the night was directed at the Republican Party. "I expected it because we're the minority. I can expect on a college campus that there will be slightly more liberal people, but I was happy because we were able to enumerate more so that we could give the complete picture of our party."

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Sophomore Zachary Caceres, SGA president Lili Afkhami, and host Kiya Amajioyi sit on the panel at last Tuesday's Meeting of the Minds.

SU hosts annual Family Weekend

By Lauren Sadler
Staff Writer

SU students and their family members celebrated the University's annual Family Weekend festivities beginning on Friday Oct. 31 and ending on Sunday Nov. 2. People of all ages enjoyed numerous activities offered throughout the weekend. From a golf challenge to a Halloween bone hunt, SU offered many opportunities for students to bond with each other, their families, and the faculty and staff.

"I personally love that families can come out and see how hard-working and dedicated our student organizations, faculty, staff and administration are," said SGA President Lili Afkhami. SGA sponsored a pumpkin painting activity on Halloween at the Scarborough Leadership Center. "Many people may not realize how much work goes into planning a single weekend,

but the Family Weekend Committee works tirelessly to ensure it's a weekend nobody will forget," Afkhami said.

This year's Family Weekend included the Family Weekend Golf Challenge and open classroom sessions. The Scarborough Leadership Center also offered many events directed toward the younger crowd, but were enjoyed by all on



Brett Morgan photo

VP of Advancement Rosemary Thomas welcomes students and their parents to the post-game reception Saturday.

Halloween night. Activities included a coloring contest, Witches Brew Duck Game, music and a moon bounce. The Family Weekend Showcase featured the SU Step Squad, SU Dance Co. and Untouchables Dance Inc. in Holloway Hall on Friday night as well.

SU also had the opportunity to show off its newest and largest building on campus to students' families. Tours of the TETC (Teacher Education and Technology Center) were given on Friday and Saturday. Students showed parents the classrooms and methods labs nestled in the 165,000 sq.

ft. building. They also had the opportunity to explore the new, state-of-the-art audio and video studios.

"Salisbury has the best and only HD Television studio on the East Coast," said tour guide Dr. Edward Robeck. Manager of Media Services Cynthia Cornish was also available

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Goody Halloween Fun



Sarah Wright photo

Heather Timerman, Mike Edwards and Sarah Bunch get their hands dirty carving pumpkins Friday afternoon at the Center for International Education. Co-sponsored by BEACON, the event was open to SU students, faculty, staff and their families and friends. The first 30 people who registered for the event received a free pumpkin to carve. Candy, apple cider, and pizza were provided to those who attended the festivities. This was the inaugural year of what is anticipated to become an annual event.

CSA holds official grand opening

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

"This really is a great day for Salisbury University, as we highlight student success and achievement and really build upon it," began SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach in her remarks on the new Center for Student Achievement (CSA) at

All three of the speakers gave thanks to various people involved in the project during their speeches.

Jones started his part by saying, "I, too, would like to thank all the faculty, staff and students who have put in an over-the-top effort to get this facility where it is today on a very, very limited budget." He went on to talk



R.L. Pusey photo

Dr. Heather Holmes, director of the Center for Student Achievement, mingles with students at the Center's official grand opening on Thursday.

its grand opening on Oct. 30.

"We're celebrating today, as much as the actual space — the physical space — the hard work of the many faculty, staff and students who dedicated a lot of their time... to making this new Center for Student Achievement a reality," she continued.

Eshbach's opening remarks were followed by short speeches from Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Tom Jones and Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Ellen Neufeldt.

about how this was done the "Salisbury way" — the money was not given to SU, so the faculty, staff and students really worked to create the CSA.

Neufeldt said it took "a lot of great things and a lot of good work from a lot of people to make this happen."

Before the speakers came to the podium, people attending the ceremony had a chance to mingle with other guests and eat snacks, while students could also enter a drawing for an SU book-

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TUESDAY 11/4/08	WEDNESDAY 11/5/08	THURSDAY 11/6/08	FRIDAY 11/7/08	SATURDAY 11/8/08	SUNDAY 11/9/08	MONDAY 11/10/08
HIGH 67	HIGH 65	HIGH 65	HIGH 64	HIGH 60	HIGH 59	HIGH 58
SHOWERS	SHOWERS	SHOWERS	FEW SHOWERS	SHOWERS	SUNNY	SUNNY
LOW 53	LOW 50	LOW 50	LOW 47	LOW 41	LOW 39	LOW 41

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Briefly Stated

National French Week—November 2-11
In honor of National French Week, SU hosts a variety of French events. A French meal featuring musical group the Stereo Strings will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. in the Bistro of the Commons (\$9.97 plus tax for those without meal plans). On Thursday, Nov. 6, SU's Chamber Choir will perform "An Evening of French Music" in Holloway Hall at 7 p.m. Several French films with English subtitles will be shown throughout the week: "To Be and To Have" ("Être et Avoir") will be shown Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 3:30 p.m. in Henson Hall 243 and "He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not" ("À La Folie... Pas du Tout") will be shown Sunday, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m. in Caruthers Hall 103.

Gospel Choir Praise and Worship Service
SU's Gospel Choir hosts a praise and worship service Friday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. in Holloway Hall. It will feature praise teams from St. Michaels Coptic and St. James Male Chorus. The Salisbury University Gospel Choir and Liturgical Dance Ensemble will also perform. The speaker for the night is Minister Aaron Deal.

Election Panel Online
For those who missed this week's "Meeting of the Minds" election panel, it is available online at <http://blip.tv/file/1417777/>. For more information e-mail ka04321@students.salisbury.edu

Faculty election panel highlights the issues



April Katsibus photo
Political Science professor Dr. Michael O'Loughlin stresses the importance of voting.

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, members of SU's faculty discussed election candidate issues in front of the public in Caruthers Hall. Political Science professors Greg Cashman, Michael O'Loughlin and Adam Hoffman each presented topics on the candidates and their issues, specifically the differences between John McCain and Barack Obama's positions on the war on terrorism, their approach on changing the economy and the techniques each used to make their campaigns successful. Cashman discussed how McCain was an initial supporter of the war in Iraq, and while McCain's central front in terrorism is Iraq, Obama's central front is Afghanistan. Although Obama does not favor the idea of staying in Iraq, both candidates are in favor of sending additional troops and neither are going to reduce the size of the military.

O'Loughlin touched on some of the differences between McCain and Obama's issues and the importance of voting in this elec-

tion. O'Loughlin spoke on the differences between Obama and McCain's health care plans. While McCain wants to install a guaranteed access plan that reaches out to people prone to different diseases and to help the uninsured, Obama is focusing on giving healthcare to employees and guaranteeing that all children have health insurance.

O'Loughlin wrapped up his speech by addressing the importance of voting in this election. He quoted Eugene Debs, saying, "It is better to vote for what you want and not get it than to vote for what you don't want and get it."

The last speaker, Adam Hoffman, addressed the differences between Obama and McCain's campaigning. "Right now Obama is in a sizeable lead," he said, "McCain has an uphill battle, but still has a chance for a comeback."

According to Hoffman, the economy is the number one issue and priority when voters make their decisions on who they wish to elect. "Obama is just more trusted to handle the economy," he said.

Obama's powerful campaign, with more than 17,000 volunteers, has had a strong affect on voters. His good money-raising skills and the fact that people are voting for him early have put him ahead, Hoffman said.

The speakers wrapped up the event by answering questions the public had and advised everyone to educate themselves and go out and vote because it is not too late.

Party patrol targets college students

By Michelle Hinkle
Staff Writer

Ghouls, goblins and witches were not the only ones out on Halloween night. Maryland State Police from the Salisbury Barracks continued their efforts to keep the county safe by saturating areas like Routes 50 and 13.

Maryland State Police performed a similar saturation patrol the weekend of Sept. 30 in response to complaints from the community about drunk drivers and noise violations. Police said the party patrols are most useful on days like Super Bowl Sunday and other holidays. The party patrol does not set up check points, but rather watches specific areas.

The Sept. 30 party patrol efforts resulted in 42 alcohol citations. Although police were patrolling the entire county, most of the alcohol citations were distributed near Salisbury University. The party patrol is funded by state and county grants meant to prevent underage parties and drinking.

Students claim police should be directing their attention to other problems in the region. "Salisbury is an extremely dangerous city," said SU senior Vince Grey. "We have problems with drugs, violence and murder. It is very insulting that this city is wasting tax payer dollars to try and catch people with their boom boxes up too loud."

This semester students have received almost weekly e-mails notifying the campus of muggings, robberies and violent crimes. Some students are asking why the party patrol efforts are not redirected towards keeping the college community safe from incidents like these. "I understand that the police have a responsibility to look for parties and underage drinkers around the University, but I think they should be putting

their efforts toward keeping us safe," said junior Shawn Koval. The Salisbury City Council joined forces with the Wicomico County Health Department to create party patrols. Police officers work overtime to reduce the violations of open container laws and underage drinking among SU students.

Underage drinking and drug use have become targets of both local law enforcement and University policymakers. SU now notifies parents if students violate drug and alcohol regulations. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act includes a provision allowing institutions to disclose information related to alcohol and drugs to the parents of students under the age of 21.

Halloween was a prime night for the Maryland State Police to put the party patrol into action. Many students were sure to have more than trick-or-treaters knocking at their doors.

Party Patrol: At A Glance

- On peak nights, Maryland State Police saturate areas like Routes 50 and 13.
- The Party Patrol is the result of a combined effort between the Salisbury City Council and the Wicomico County Health Department.
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- 42 alcohol citations were written on Sept. 30.

Crime Beat

10/01/08-10/24/08
Deft

Sometime between 10/1/08 and 10/24/08, the front license plate was stolen from a student's automobile. During the window in which this theft occurred, the student had parked the vehicle on Dogwood Drive and in the Dresser Parking Lot A. The student had also parked the vehicle in Baltimore, MD, during the period; it is unknown when or where the theft occurred.

10/24/08 3:32 p.m.
Disturbing School Operations

University Police received a complaint of a man viewing pornography on a computer at the GUC Fireside Lounge, and causing a disturbance. The suspect would not cooperate with police officers or provide his identification. He was arrested and transported to the Wicomico County Detention Center for booking.

10/31/08 1:30-2:29 a.m.
Malicious Destruction of Property
It was reported that someone broke the door-closure arm at the main entrance of Severn Hall. The matter is under investigation by the University Police.

10/31/08 3:25 a.m.
Alcohol-Related Illness
University Police rendered assistance to an intoxicated student in Pocomoke Hall, who complained of chest pains. An ambulance was called, but the student refused transport to the hospital. The student was under the age of twenty-one years. A report of this incident was forwarded to the offices of Residence Life and Student Affairs for review.

Student Activities fee raised to hire director

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

A change regarding SU's Student Activities Fee was approved by the SGA at an Oct. 19 forum. The senators decided by a majority vote that the Student Activities Fee will be increasing from \$50 to \$55 per semester beginning Fall 2009.

Because of a hiring freeze for all schools in the University System of Maryland, the added revenue will be used to hire and pay the salary of a new Student Activities Director at SU. "That has been a void, I think, for our student body because it serves the students so widely. I think it was a really good idea to move forward with the raising of the fee," said SGA Advisor and Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Ellen Neufeldt of no longer having a

Student Activities Director. The current \$50 designated as the Student Activities Fee is used for different student services and organizations. \$40 of each student's fee goes to "The Big Five," which consists of Appropriations, SGA, SOAP, The Flyer and SAFERIDE, while the other \$10 goes to the University Writing Center.

The Writing Center opened in November 2005 after the SGA voted to raise the fees to start the center. The money from the fee, noted Dr. Nicole Munday, Director of the Center, is used to pay student consultants and the director, and also for technology, advertising and continual staff training.

"Our focus on student writing fills a niche on campus and specifically relates to the mission of Salisbury University," Munday said in an e-mail.

Assistant Director of the center Jessica Arnold described the center as a "student space," where students help other students become better writers. The center is open 57 hours a week, and last year 1,169 sessions were held, primarily for undergraduate students.

SGA President Lili Afkhami said the SGA plans to send out a Campus Utilization Survey next semester via a campus-wide e-mail. The survey is expected to show which services students use and if they believe that the services offered at SU are effective.

If the survey shows that there is a problem with one or more of SU's services, the SGA will work with the person in charge of the service to make it fit students' needs more thoroughly, Afkhami said. Until the results are shown, though, Afkhami does not know

if additional changes will be made concerning the fee or when possible changes may be implemented.

Student Activities Fee At a Glance

- Beginning Fall 2009, the Student Activities Fee will increase from \$50 to \$55.
- The additional money will go towards hiring a Student Activities Director.
- The current \$50 fee is distributed as follows: \$40 goes to "The Big Five," which are Appropriations, SGA, SOAP, The Flyer and SAFERIDE. The remaining \$10 goes to the Writing Center.

SU copes with system hiring freeze

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

In early September, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach sent out a letter detailing a "soft" hiring freeze. That hiring freeze is now hard as ice and some are wondering how it will affect students and if it will get better.

"I do not anticipate that the hiring freeze will be lifted anytime soon. In fact, I anticipate that the situation will worsen before it begins to turn around. Members of my administration and I have made a strategic decision to take a hard line on new hires so that we do our best to avoid having to lay off or retrain current employees (faculty and staff)," Dudley-Eshbach said.

She said that SU strives to keep classes small and the overall student to faculty ratio will stay relatively the same. However, since the hiring freeze includes faculty, certain classes may increase in size by an average of three to five students. Other staff positions that are not related to faculty will also be affected. Currently the Director of Student Activities position is open. The SGA is trying to find a way around the freeze in order to hire a staff member.

"The SGA just recently approved a \$5 increase in student fees to facilitate the hiring of a Director of Student Activities. This fee will be implemented next semester. The SGA senate unanimously determined that in spite of the hiring freeze (which does indeed include the Director of Student Activities position), this position was far too important to the student body to remain vacant for an undetermined amount of time," said SGA President Lili Afkhami. Dudley-Eshbach said that University Police is exempt from the moratorium since they impact safety.

Afkhami said that SU works hard to ensure that all students are provided with the best education possible, regardless of a hiring freeze. She believes it will not hurt students, but they are affected.

The nation is facing hard economic times, but SU is doing what it can to protect students. "We are fortunate to be in a more or less 'recession-proof' sector of the economy. Further, Maryland is a wealthy state, as compared to other states in our country. The state of Maryland and public higher education in Maryland will weather this storm," Dudley-Eshbach said.

Debate Night

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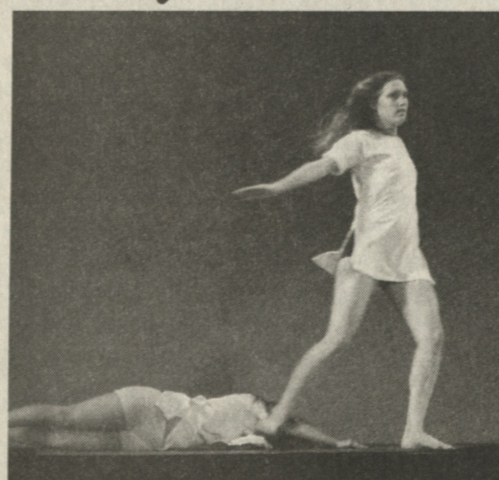
Following the debate, SU featured the Meeting of the Minds discussion which hosted one seven-member panel as a means to focus more on the Presidential candidates. The event was hosted by senior Kiya Amajioyi who also served as the host and moderator for most of the discussion.

"We as students have the right to use our knowledge and capabilities to discuss topics that affect us the most," Amajioyi said. "In the midst of the discussions here during this meeting, I hope we can assist you in making a concrete decision in who you will be voting for."

Cursing and shouting soon became the scene during the "Meeting of the Minds" as the apparent frustration and tension about the election began to take its toll. The atmosphere became less civil by the minute as audience members, panel volunteers and even professors shouted expletives and other obviously passionate statements about the current state of the country. Both events hosted different styles of political discourse and, judging by the attendance at both events, Salisbury is turning around from its past as an apathetic university to a politically active one.

Family Weekend

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Daniel McFarland photo
Milah Ewell and Adrienne Parker of Untouchables, Inc. perform at the Family Weekend Showcase on Friday night.

to give in-depth information about all of the new opportunities students have for producing projects in the studios.

On Saturday, the Sea Gull football team took on the Wolverines of Wesley College in front of a crowd of 2,639 people. Following the game was a Parent and Family Association Post-Game Social on

the lawn behind Henson. Families also had the chance to attend different seminars on campus that detailed study abroad programs, financial aid developments, campus changes throughout the decades, future employee expectations for students and a slideshow of the Algonquin Canoe New Student Experience. The night's entertainment included a showing of "The Mummy 3" in the Caruthers Hall Auditorium and a performance by Wayne Hoffman, one of the top ten illustrators and mentalists in the world.

A Jazz Brunch was offered at the Commons on Sunday including the musical talent of SU band Muskrat Sally. "Everywhere I went on campus this weekend, families were having fun and everyone had a lot of school spirit. And I think that's great for Salisbury," said senior Jackie Leggio.

CSA grand opening

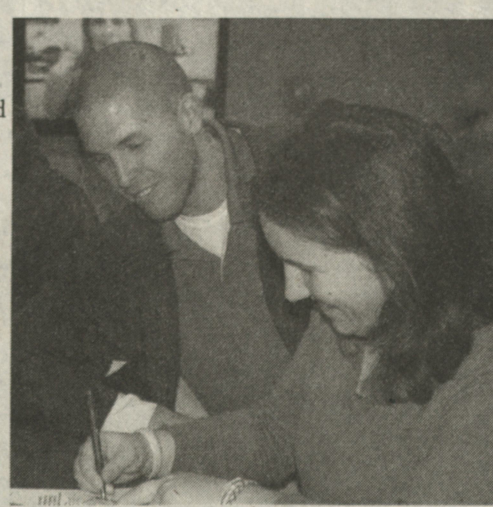
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store gift certificate. The CSA, located in room 213 of the Guerrieri University Center, opened on Sept. 2 of this year, with Dr. Heather Holmes as the center's director. She said services that the center offers include math learning modules and study hours as well as help with advising for those who are struggling in classes and for those applying for scholarships.

Holmes also noted that workshops are held often that pertain to study skills and leadership topics. There is "something for all students" at the center, she said. Even if what a student is looking for is not offered at the CSA, employees can point students in the right direction.

For the fall 2009 semester, Holmes hopes to have in place

additional instruction for the hardest SU classes, a seminar for freshmen taught by faculty members and a class relating to professional preparation for career-based exams like the Praxis. Holmes noted that the CSA "helps students achieve their academic potential."



R.L. Pusey photo
Todd Ostrom and Julia Glanz sign up for the drawing to win bookstore gift cards.

Crude oil reaches lowest price since May 2007



Reuters photo

Customers line up to get gas for \$1.99 a gallon at a Mobil gas station Monday, Oct. 27, 2008, in Fairfield, Ohio.

By Laura Dignan
Staff Writer

On Monday, Oct. 27, the price of crude oil, which counts for about half the price of gasoline, fell 93 cents to \$63.22 a barrel, the lowest price it has been since May 2007. On Tuesday it dropped another 49 cents to \$62.73 a barrel. July 2008 marked a record high of \$147.27 a barrel and prices have now dropped almost 60 percent since then.

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Companies (OPEC) cut their crude oil output by 1.5 billion barrels a day, the first cut in almost two years. According to Venezuelan Oil Minister Rafael Ramirez, OPEC may cut crude oil output a second time. The results of the first cut will be analyzed in a meeting planned for Dec. 17.

"We will eventually return to trading on the supply-demand fundamentals," said Steve Maloney, a risk-management consultant for Stamford, Connecticut-based Towers Perrin, in an Oct. 29 bloomberg.com article. "As demand returns, supply will tighten and put upward pressure on prices."

Fuel demand in the United States averaged 18.9 million barrels a day for the past four weeks, decreasing 7.8 percent from a year ago. Gasoline consumption decreased to 8.9 million barrels a day, equivalent to 3.4 percent, over the same period.

This decline in consumption is a combination of the weakening economy and the increasing fuel-saving lifestyles made by Americans. The Federal Highway Administration reported Americans drove about 254 billion

miles in August, almost six percent less than in August 2007.

In early October, average fuel prices dropped below \$3 for the first time since February and have been dropping for the past six weeks. While fuel prices are dropping all over the country, Houston, TX will most likely be 20 cents below all other cities and states according to Sarah Schimmer, a spokeswoman for AAA Texas. The state has relatively low fuel taxes and cheaper fuel transport costs due to its close proximity to refineries.

On Thursday, the lowest advertised price in Houston was \$1.89 for regular unleaded. The last time the average U.S. gas price was below \$2 was May 2004. Darin Newsom, a senior commodities analyst with Data Transmission Network said in an Oct. 30 Houston Chronicle article that anything is possible but he believes it is likely gasoline prices at the pump will fall another 20 to 30 cents and level out.

"There is a review ongoing, and we're looking at a wide range of aspects of our policy to try to improve our ability to battle extremism in Afghanistan and help the Afghans do their jobs, as well," said Robert Wood, U.S. State Department spokesman.

In early October of this year, Afghan officials met with former members of the Taliban government in Saudi Arabia.

Despite the presence of tens of thousands of international troops

U.S. considers talks with Taliban to reduce violence

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

The Bush administration says it is undertaking a "wide ranging" review of its war policies in Afghanistan that may include the United States contacting several Taliban members to help reduce violence.

Military officials believe engaging several levels of the group will help Afghanistan and neighboring Pakistan; however, they will not be speaking with top leaders of the Taliban. The new approach was contained in a classified White House assessment of U.S. strategy in the Middle Eastern country. Although talks will be led by the Afghan government, the U.S. will also actively participate.

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Despite the presence of tens of thousands of international troops

helping the Afghan security forces, the Taliban insurgency has grown steadily. It is agreed that the violence will not end solely through military means.

Gen. David Petraeus said attempts are in fact being made to open talks with the Taliban in Afghanistan. Petraeus once used a similar approach while he was the top U.S. commander in Iraq. The United States enlisted previously hostile Sunni tribes to help in the fight against al-Qaeda in Iraq, which greatly reduced violence there. On Friday, Petraeus was sworn in as head of the U.S. Central Command, which oversees U.S. military operations in the Middle East.

The Taliban ruled Afghanistan from 1996-2001 before being overthrown by US-led forces after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. However, they are still powerful today and lead while advocating a restrictive and extremist interpretation of Islam.

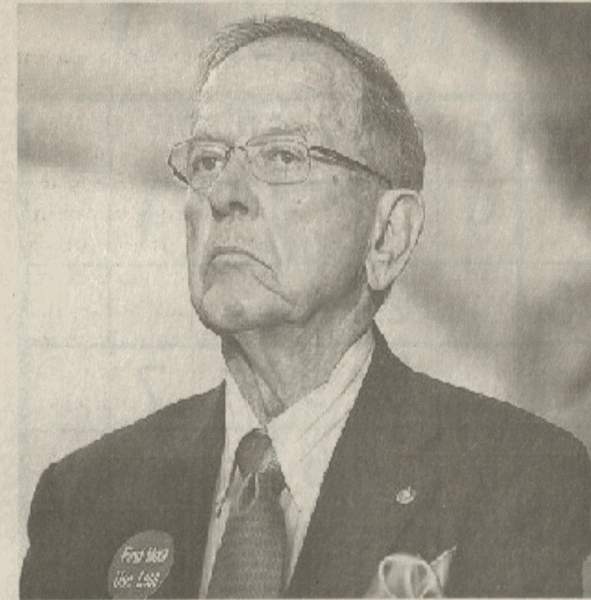
The review comes as Taliban insurgents have been gaining power in Afghanistan. Due to their rising strength, President Hamid Karzai agrees that the government needs to talk to help moderate the group.

The final White House recommendation is expected this month after the presidential election.



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Alaska Sen. Stevens found guilty



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Alaska Senator Ted Stevens (R)

By Eric J. Buratty
Staff Writer

Sen. Ted Stevens is continuing his bid for re-election after being found guilty of corruption Oct. 11. A jury agreed with prosecutors that the Alaska Republican tried to hide more than \$250,000 in free home renovations and other gifts that he received from a wealthy oil contractor.

Stevens, who first joined the Senate in 1968, is currently run-

ning for re-election against the Democratic mayor of Anchorage, Mark Begich. If his conviction is not overturned on appeal, he could be sentenced to as many as 35 years in prison. A date for Stevens' sentencing has not yet been set.

If Stevens is re-elected but does not win his appeal, the Senate has the authority to override and expel him from office immediately if necessary. There have been calls for Stevens to resign, including from within his party. "This verdict is a sign of the corruption and insider-dealing that has become so pervasive in our nation's capital . . . It is clear that Sen. Stevens has broken his trust with the people and that he should now step down," said presidential nominee John McCain.

Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama said that Stevens' conviction reflects the political atmosphere in the national government. "[Monday's] ruling wasn't just a verdict on Senator Stevens, but on the broken politics that has infected Washington for decades," Obama said.

Stevens' conviction threatens efforts by the GOP to keep Democrats from winning a filibuster-proof majority in Senate elections. If the majority party has 60 or more seats in the Senate, the majority can end a filibuster, a procedural method to delay the Senate from taking a course of action or passing legislation. The Democratic Party currently holds a majority with 49 seats and two independent Senators who caucus with the Democrats.

For now, Stevens remains adamant that his conviction will be overturned and he will be re-elected.

"I will represent Alaska in the senate while my lawyers pursue the appeals to clear my name," Stevens said at a campaign rally on Wednesday, adding that "by providing for an appeals process, our founding fathers knew that mistakes could be made and innocent men could be wrongly convicted. This is one of those times."

Arrests made in assassination plot

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

Two young men, who follow the white supremacist ideology, were arrested and charged last week in Tennessee for plotting to assassinate Sen. Barack Obama and kill 102 black school children.

Paul Schlesselman, 18, of West Helena, Ark. and Daniel Cowart, 20, of Bells, Tenn. said in an affidavit filed in Jackson, Tenn. by an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives that they "planned to drive their vehicle as fast as they could towards Obama shooting at him from the windows."

However, Obama was not scheduled to be in Tennessee at the time of their arrest, and the affidavit did not say whether the two men had yet picked a location for the attack.

The assassination of Obama was not the only component of their plot; it would be the climax of their "killing spree." Their plan also included killing 102 black school children at a local unnamed predominantly black high school; 88 would be shot, and another 14 would be beheaded.

The numbers 88 and 14 are numbers that have special significance to the white power movement. The number 88 is shorthand for "Heil, Hitler" because "H" is the eighth letter in the alphabet. The number 14 signifies a 14-word mantra of white supremacists, "We must secure the existence of our people and future for our white children."

The two men were charged with illegal possession of a sawed off shotgun, conspiracy to rob a firearms dealer and threats against a presidential nominee. In their detention hearing on Oct. 30 they were ordered by the judge to stay in prison while their lawyers prepare for a hearing on whether the case should be sent to a grand jury.

The two men met via internet through mutual friends about a month ago, and connected quickly because they both had very strong views about Aryan white power and "skinnhead" ideology.

"I think it's just a lot of talk. He would never do something like this," said Schlesselman's father, Mike, in an interview.

Another assassination plot was

discovered and contained in Denver just before the Democratic National Convention, in August. Both attempts did not appear to have been fully formed and were in the early stages.

"We honestly don't know if [Schlesselman and Cowart] had the capability or the wherewithal to carry out the kind of plan they talked about. But we take any threat seriously no matter how big or small," said Malcolm Wiley, a spokesman for the Secret Service, in a recent NY Times article.



Reuters photo
Daniel Cowart, 20, and Paul Schlesselman, 18, were arrested in an apparent assassination plot.

U.S. sends military raid into Syria to combat housing of militant groups

By Daniel McElwain
Staff Writer

Protestors by the thousands in Syria took to the streets Thursday to contest the United States' recent military raid into the Middle Eastern country. On Sunday, Oct. 26, four helicopters with U.S. special forces attacked a village on the Iraqi-Syrian border, killing eight people in the raid. U.S. sources state that the reason for the attack on the Syrian village was to combat the foreign fighters that have been using the village and minimally patrolled border between the two countries to join Iraq's Al-Qaeda insurgency.

Since the Iraq War began in 2003, volunteer insurgents have been using Syria as a stepping stone into Iraq. For years the Syrian government has turned a blind eye to them as hostility between Syria and the United States rose. Recently though, the Syrian government has clamped down on the volunteer jihadists, the secular government there concerned about mounting tensions with the U.S. and the threat of Syria's own Sunni insurgency. Less than a month ago, extremists exploded a car bomb in the Syrian capital of Damascus in retaliation to the clampdown.

Dr. Len Robinson, a Salisbury University Associate Professor of



AP photo

Syrian villagers carry the coffins of relatives who were killed in an American military attack on the village of Sukkriya, on the Syria-Iraq border.

political science and expert in the Middle-East had this to say about the U.S. raid: "The operation, along with recent cross-border raids into Pakistan, marks a significant shift in U.S. policy as it relates to self-defense of U.S. forces abroad. The Bush administration is advancing the argument that sovereign states are responsible for the activities of groups that operate inside their borders. If a state such as Syria is seen as not taking every possible step to prevent militant groups from using its territory to launch attacks against U.S. forces in neighboring countries, the U.S. is claiming the right to address the threat directly through the use of

American military power. "It is interesting to note, within the context of the U.S. presidential campaign, that this is essentially the same argument that has been put forward by Barack Obama, namely that the U.S. should be willing to launch attacks from Afghanistan on militant targets in Pakistan," Robinson added.

The Syrian government immediately closed an American cultural center and school in Damascus, and has lodged a formal complaint with the U.N. Secretary-General and Security Council Chairman. In Iraq, politicians are demanding that the country not be used as a base to attack other countries.

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HISTORY CORNER

November 4
1970-Genie, a 13 year old feral child was found in Los Angeles, California having been locked in her bedroom for most of her life.

November 5
1895-George B. Selden is granted the first U.S. patent for an automobile.

November 6
1934-Memphis, TN became the first major city to enter the TVA.

November 7
1929-In New York City, the Museum of Modern Art opens to the public.

November 8
1973-The right ear of John Paul Getty III is delivered to a newspaper together with a ransom note, convincing his father to pay 2.9 million USD.

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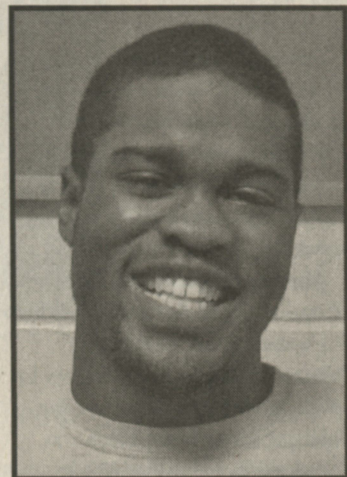
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"Nicole Richie and Paris Hilton, because I love the Simple Life and to see that really happen would be hilarious."
Elysia Sligh - freshman



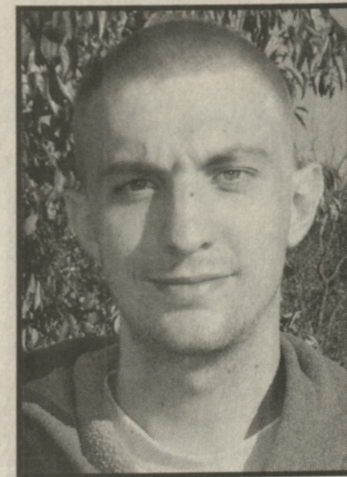
"I would want to see Kanye West because he is strong minded, he really has the best interest of the people in mind and he can dress."
Jaleesa Tate - freshman



"I would like to see Denzel Washington because he's the man."
Marcus Randolph - sophomore



"Kevin Costner because I might watch the debates then."
Nicole Merrill - junior



"I want to see Stephen Colbert because he made an effort to possibly run to some degree, and he's pretty tight."
Scott Port - junior



"I would want to see P. Diddy because he has the mentality to take charge and make a difference."
Porshia Butler - freshman

Which celebrity would you like to see in the White House and why?

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The real change starts with us

By Zachary Caceres
Staff Writer

Chances are, by the time you read this, people will already be rushing to the polls to vote in the longest election in American history. Even just as an observer, it has been a long, ugly journey — one that I hope never to repeat. However, if any good is to emerge from months of petty bickering, it is that Americans across the board are wholeheartedly sick of Washington's politics. This passion, this budding fury, is a clear sign of a changing tide; it is a good sign. My own fear for the future is that America will lose the means to channel its anger in order to alter our present course.

Politics has been and always will be a battle of philosophies.

However, this election is marked by calls from both parties for philosophical abandonment. Obama claims that now is "not a time for ideology." McCain champions his record of "bi-partisanship" — another word for "pragmatic." What both fail to realize is that America, now more than ever, desperately needs a philosophy. Not any philosophy, but the ideals that raised America as a beacon of hope and progress to the world.

This is not an appeal to tradition: not to blind flag waving or barbecues, mindless chanting or slogans. It is an appeal to anyone who still believes in the unceasing nobility and beauty of the American dream: anyone who believes in individualism, not racial groups; self-reliance, not entitlement; peace, not empire building.

liberty, not bureaucracy. The cynicism and "practicality" of our age has brought us to where we are today. If you are as dismayed as I have become with this election, then do your country and yourself the greatest service you can tender: think.

Thomas Jefferson once wrote, "Timid men prefer the calm of despotism to the tempestuous sea of liberty." Yet here is America, his child and greatest gift, evenly divided between two men focused on rearranging deck-chairs on the Titanic. In four years, we can hopefully forget the ugliness of this election. But our problems are far from solved, our battles far from won. What we must not forget is the frustration which, when it rediscovers the source of America's greatness, will change the world.

Endorsements by newspapers damage perceptions of objectivity

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Golin Powell gave his endorsement to Barack Obama on Oct. 19. Joe the Plumber gave his to John McCain on Thursday. In addition to those given by politicians, celebrities, and the bizarre icons that emerge during the campaign, endorsements come from another source, perhaps the most controversial of all: newspapers. This is a tradition that dates back to when newspapers were subjective partisan instruments. Today however, when basic ideals of journalistic integrity are purported to be upheld by all major media, the tradition is jarring in its inappropriateness.

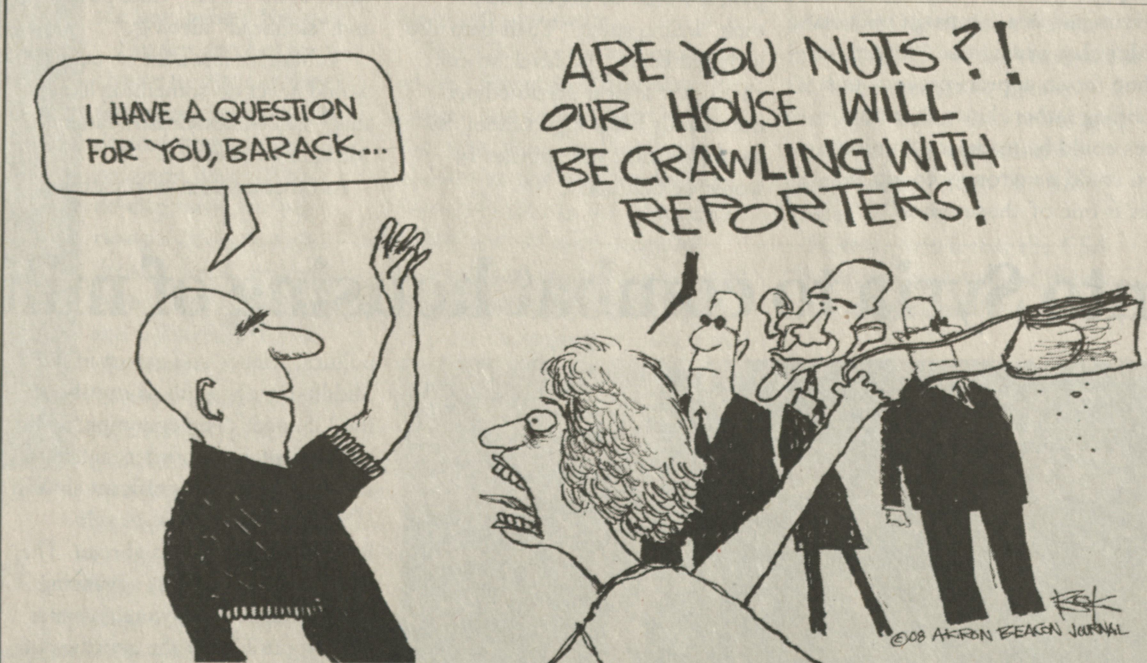
In our democracy, the press has a watchdog role, protecting citizens by providing them with the

information necessary to influence the government. Over time, the press has refined itself from the flagrantly partisan nature of its past. It now, for the most part, places an emphasis on impartiality. While still not perfect, the press is considerably better than when this country was founded. That being said, newspapers maintaining the outdated practice of endorsing candidates for office is disappointing, especially in light of growing emphasis placed on objective reporting.

When newspapers come out and say that they support one candidate over another, they lose a portion of their credibility. While it could be said that endorsing candidates serves as a form of disclosure, letting readers know of any possible bias in the reporting, it can also be said that,

by endorsing a candidate, a newspaper throws the integrity of its reporting into question. If a newspaper says that it thinks a certain candidate should win, why should anyone believe that the newspaper is being impartial in its coverage of that race?

The American people are growing increasingly skeptical about the integrity and impartiality of the news media. A recent survey by Harvard University's Center for Public Leadership shows that nearly two-thirds of respondents do not trust coverage of the current election; 82 percent of respondents said that the media has too much influence on who people vote for. While endorsements given by newspapers are not the only contributors to this distrust, it certainly does not help.



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The Rules of Sudoku

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution. Good luck.

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	7		9					4
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3			7		6			1
	9	7	2	1		5		
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Difficulty Rating: Medium

Solution to last week's puzzle:

6	9	5	3	7	8	2	1	4
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5	8	9	1	6	3	4	7	2
3	2	7	8	4	9	1	6	5
1	6	4	7	2	5	3	8	9



New laundry system is a big hit

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

Have you heard about the new on campus laundry machines? You can still check on your laptop computer to see which machines are available, but a new feature allows you to receive a text message when your laundry is finished. Students also do not need laundry detergent — the machine dispenses a dye-free, fragrance-free, hypo-allergenic detergent.

I think this is a great start to becoming more of an eco-friendly campus while also keeping sustainability in mind. However, don't the laundry machines have a timer on them that lets you know when it will be finished? What is the point of a text message? Honestly, how hard is it to see 60 minutes on the timer and not remember to come back down in 55 minutes? I would understand if there was just a dial, such as on the Chesapeake laundry machines — those you do not really have an idea — but on ones with a timer? If you forget that your clothes will be finished in one hour then please do not complain when your clothes are placed on top of the machine or unfortunately, on the floor. Take responsibility and come down in an hour. There are other people that need to get their done and should not have to wait an extra hour or even days to use the machine. Hopefully this new

text message alert will work, and people will get their clothes quicker. Also, what about those students that do not have unlimited text messaging and must pay for each text? Are they charged?

I am also glad that the machines dispense detergent — I think that is a really great idea and am a little jealous Chesapeake does not have that. College students are low on money, and detergent is expensive. This saves a lot of money for both the students and the campus because these machines dispense a specific amount that also cuts down on water use and bulky detergent bottles in the recycling bins. The only small problem I see in this is what if some student wants a scented detergent? Still, this is a great idea, and I fully support it.

Finally, I love how you can check on-line to see what machines are available, if any. This saves so much time with you having to drag your laundry all the way downstairs only to be disappointed and really be tempted to throw people's laundry every where. When I lived in Wisconsin last year, I always used this and absolutely loved it.

Great job Salisbury University on becoming more eco-friendly! This is a great start, and I am so glad that our campus is taking huge steps in making the environment safer and also keeping students' concerns in mind.

By Derek Pettinelli
Staff Writer

By the time you read this, it will be Election Day. These last few days seem like the calm before the storm in arguably the most publicized election in history. According to recent polls, Barack Obama has surged to a ten point lead over John McCain, making the next few days that much more important to the candidates. Obama also appeared publicly with former president Bill Clinton at a general election campaign at a rally near Orlando. Introduced as "the 42nd president and the next president," they were overcome by cheers and applause from 35,000 in the



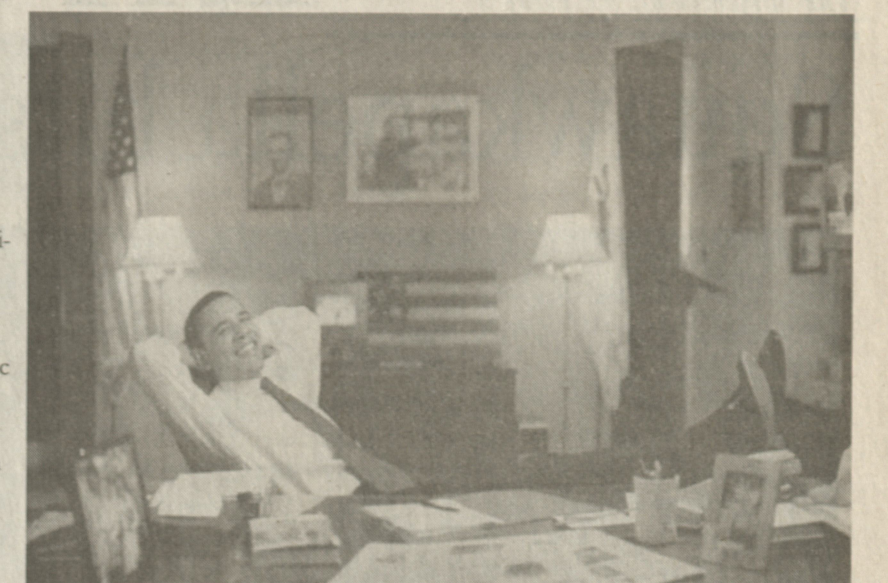
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Senator Barack Obama

crowd. On Oct. 29, Obama's campaign spent \$3 million to run a 30-minute primetime ad simultaneously on seven major networks: CBS, Fox, NBC, Univision, BET, MSNBC and TV One.

While things are looking positive for the Obama campaign, the McCain campaign is trying to take criticism in jest. Radio comedians in Montreal, Quebec pranked Sarah Palin for about six minutes live on the air this past Saturday. Posing as French President Nicolas Sarkozy they talked about hunting with her from a helicopter and even asked if Dick Cheney had to come. She joked about maybe being president in eight years and shrugged off criticism from the comedians about Sarkozy's wife writing a song about "Joe the Plumber" and ignored a reference to the porn movie "Nailin' Palin," calling it an edgy documentary which was slipped in shortly before they revealed themselves and she passed the phone to her assistant who hung up.

Her campaign's official response was "Governor Palin received a phone call on Saturday from a French Canadian talk show host claiming to be French President



Vanity Fair.com photo

Obama takes a load off in a Vanity Fair photo shoot earlier this year. According to recent polls, Obama has surged to a ten point lead over McCain.

Nicholas Sarkozy. Governor Palin was mildly amused to learn that she had joined the ranks of heads of state, including President Sarkozy, and other celebrities in being targeted by these pranksters. C'est la vie."

Voter turnout is expected to break records, though recent reports of touchscreen errors with the machines have some worried. Videos have shown up on YouTube showing voting booth operators pressing to indicate one candidate,

yet the machine recognizes it as a different one four spaces down. There's even a clip of Oprah discussing her voting process where she was freaking out because when she double-checked her vote, it was not on her candidate of choice.

After living through the past eight years, I hope Obama gets elected; he has to, because things can't get any worse and while I want him to be elected, as a nation we need for him to be elected.

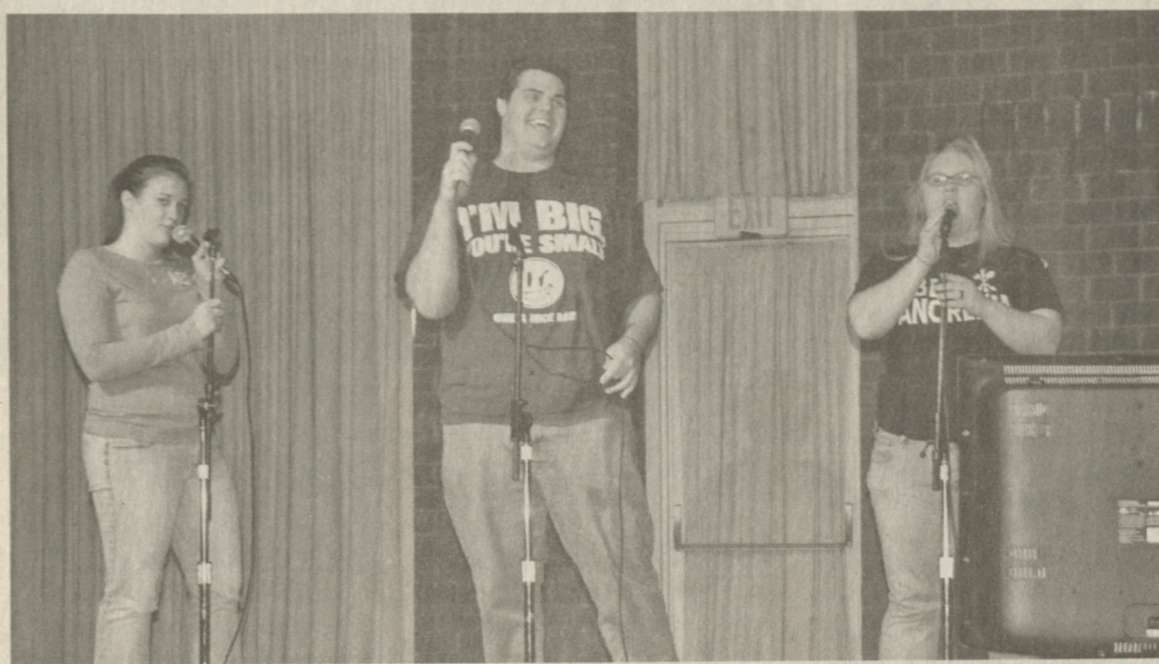
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Squawkapella hits high note with Music Madness



Sarah Wright photo

Squawkapella members sophomore Deanna Krauss, junior Scott Dotterweich, and sophomore Christie Stone get the Madness started with some karaoke at Thursday's Music Madness held in the GUC.

By Alyana Gomez
Staff Writer

Karaoke night, a singing and beat-boxing contest hosted by Squawkapella, SU's a cappella group, was a success with all the musical talent that came to participate last

Thursday, Oct. 30. A good number of students joined Squawkapella to show off their hidden musical talents. The competition's focus was supposed to be on beat-boxing but unfortunately not many people signed up for that portion of the

contest. However, the free karaoke was definitely a great success. In addition to the music, the group held a raffle for various prizes such as candy, a gift card to Outback Steakhouse and various other door prizes.

Many people were shy at the beginning of the karaoke contest but after a short time every person was participating. The majority of the group seemed to favor the older songs more than the songs of current music. Students got up and sang tunes by Britney Spears, Alicia Keys, Usher and TLC. One student even gave an engaging rendition of "I'm Too Sexy" by Right Said Fred. Some participants engaged in a highly entertaining rap battle.

The President of Squawkapella and a senior at Salisbury University, Korey Cunningham, said that Squawkapella was started in the spring of 2006 by Brian Kuhn and Adam Miller. After their graduation last year, Cunningham and Vice President Megan Haley decided to take over. Both have been with the group for about 3 years.

"If you like to sing and like music, come out for auditions in the spring," Cunningham said.

Squawkapella is a student-run a cappella group that hosts concerts every semester. They rehearse twice a week to keep it lightweight and are very open to new sugges-

tions and different types of musical artists. They started this karaoke event to help raise money that they plan to use towards things such as a trip to sing with another university's a cappella group. "I love singing and this group is a good stress relief from classes,"

said Dana Herson, a sophomore and new member of Squawkapella. She continued by saying everyone who came out to Karaoke Night had a lot of fun and the group hopes even more people will come out next time.



Sarah Wright photo

Senior Korey Cunningham (center) proves he's too sexy for his shirt as he sings with junior Scott Dotterweich (left) and senior Will Norat (right).

Look out Hollywood: Two young filmmakers make their debut

By Robert Cogdell
Staff Writer

Last Tuesday the work of aspiring filmmakers was showcased with the screening of two documentaries by SU students. Seniors Bryan Babcock and Marc Gast, majoring in Mass Media and Film and Mass Media respectively, demonstrated their artistic visions and talent through the pieces they produced and directed in CMAT 433 Documentary Production.

The first documentary, titled "The Bicycle Man," followed the life of Maurice Harmon. Harmon, who suffered brain damage when hit by a car at age 13, grew into a 46-year-old man, who Ocean City locals referred to as "The Bicycle Man." He averaged 42 miles each day to and from work. There he made \$7.75 an hour, which was put towards a small apartment with rent of \$600 a month. Abandoned by his family, Harmon

was evicted and left homeless. The director, Babcock, captivated the audience with a loveable character, leading into a powerful transition to the dark side of social abuse and neglect.

"Piano Man," directed by Gast, was another stunning success with a rich variety of visuals and camera angles. Gast's story followed an 18-year-old pianist named Nathaniel Dreher. This film explored the religious inspiration

and ambition of a young musician. It dove into Dreher's past and vast musical capability which was manifested at a young age. Dreher participates in musical competitions and plays in an ensemble for his local church on Wednesday nights at Bible study.

Gast revealed the true power of inspiration and showed the faith can motivate and unite.

Both students had a full semester to compose the documentaries

from scripting to interviewing and editing, which both agree took the longest time, particularly with the transition into the TETC building.

"Both of them put in a lot of work and time and it really showed," said Dr. Francis Kendall, who taught the documentary class.

The screening had a decent turnout of about 30 SU students and faculty, all of whom held high regards toward each film. "I am

blown away by the clarity, humility, artistry and sensitivity with which these two SU students have filmed their subjects and what makes [their subjects] extraordinary. I think there's something inherently moving about that," said Dr. Elsie Walker, who hosted the screening.

Both documentaries, although different in style, prove that even the most unlikely people can spark inspiration in everyone.

From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



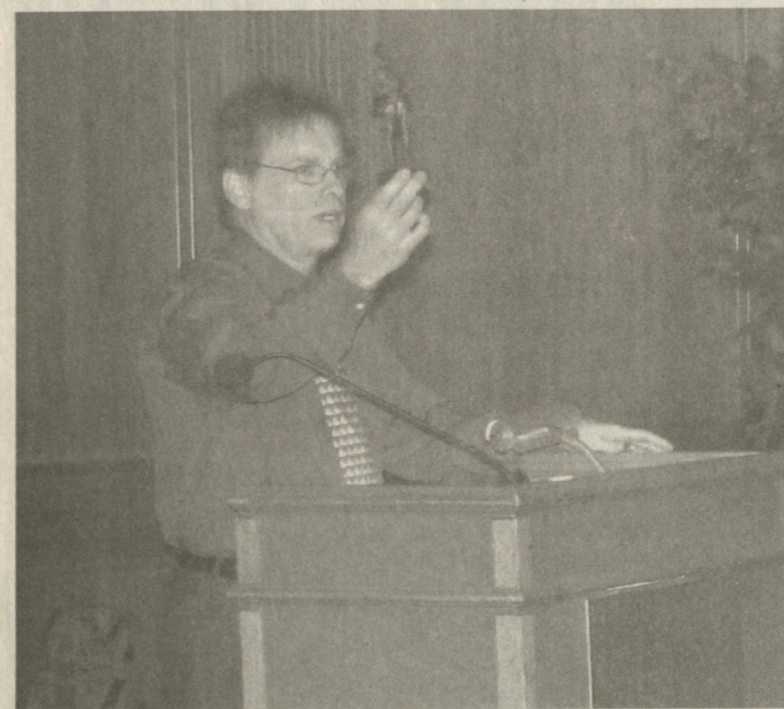
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Students Jim Garrity, Mayra Cruz, Regina Sorina, Celia Mechental, Flora Mechental, and Leila Mechental carve pumpkins at the Center for International Education on Friday afternoon.



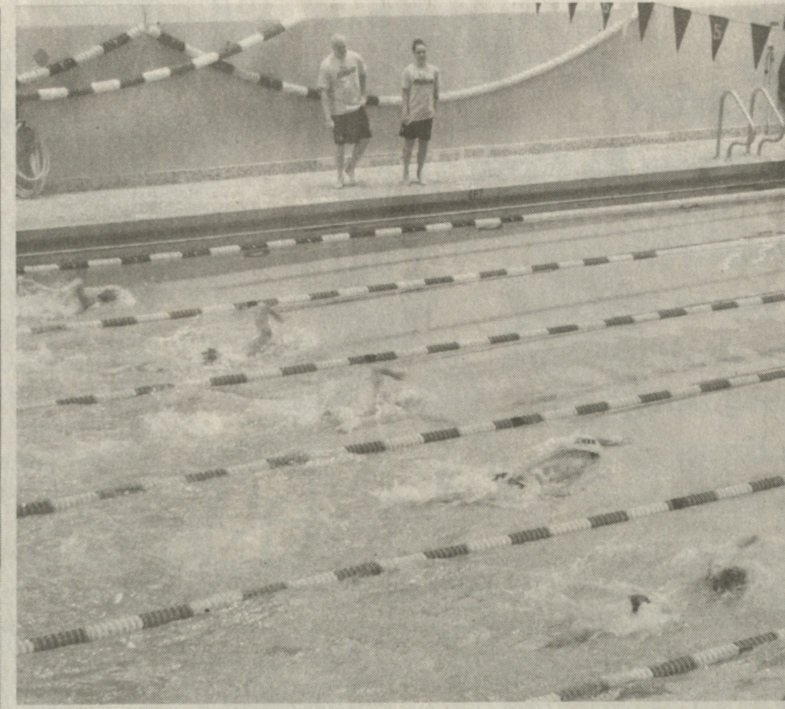
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Rick Nelson, Scott Port, Virginia Gambrell, and Devin Feist embark on a Super Spooky Bike Ride Friday afternoon. This was the latest installment of the ESA's Critical Mass Bike Rides.



Brett Morgan photo

Dr. Keith Brower discusses Don Quixote on Thursday night in the latest installment of the Faculty Renaissance Lecture Series.



Brett Morgan photo

The Sea Gulls hosted Rowan University in their home opener. The women's team won 134-138, while the men's team lost 160-101.



Sarah Jacobs photo

Magician/Mentalist Wayne Hoffman, just one of the many entertaining aspects of Family Weekend, wows the crowd on Saturday.

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"One of my roommates never does anything around our apartment. He leaves dirty dishes in the sink, doesn't clean up after himself and is just plain lazy. How do we get him to help out without offending him?"

Before chewing out your roommate for being "a filthy, lazy pig" consider his possible reasons for not doing the dishes. Is your roommate often in a hurry when eating and not able to do dishes immediately after dinner? Perhaps your roommate works nights or has night class and needs to rush to class in the evenings. Try to enter the conversation prepared to understand and accommodate your roommates' needs and have a proposed solution in mind.

Start by making a simple list of what each person is responsible for. Maybe he simply doesn't realize he is not doing his fair share. Rather than demand that your roommate wash all dishes immediately after using them, gently suggest that items should be placed in the dishwasher right away (if you have one) or that a deadline be set. For example, all

dishes must be washed within two days or within one week, if you're more flexible.

Make it clear that your goal is not to antagonize your roommate but to create a better living environment for both of you. If your roommate is constantly leaving his personal things around the apartment, try to act like you're on his side to get him to do what you want. Say something like, "I noticed you're leaving a lot of things around the apartment. Sometimes I worry I might break or lose one of your things so I wondered if we could agree to keep most of your things in your room." If he still is not getting the hint, as disgusting as it might be, don't clean up after him. Eventually he will catch on and have to do the task himself.

"I really want to go on spring break and need to make some money to pay for it. Any tips?"

If working on campus or at a local business isn't in the cards for you there are a few other options to make some quick cash. If you like to write, get paid to write a blog online. Check online to see if you have any unclaimed money from the government, you might be surprised. If you excel at a particular subject or sport, be a tutor or coach. Get into a paid internship or a work-study program. Sell unwanted items on e-bay or craigslist.com. Take on seasonal work, shovel snow, rake leaves, plant flowers or wrap gifts. Good luck!

S.A.F.E. teaches students to protect themselves



Caitlin Tyler photo

SUPD Officer Cinda Howell teaches this student how to execute a palm strike, a technique in which the bottom part of the palm is used to hit and push the aggressor away by his chin.

By Katie Murphy
Staff Writer

GUC Events held a self-defense class on Wednesday, Oct. 29, in the Wicomico Room. Students learned prevention tips and were introduced to the Self-Defense Awareness and Familiarization Exchange (SAFE) Program. The SAFE program was taught by Cinda Howell of University Police.

Approximately 19 females and one male learned basic self-defense and precautionary measures they can utilize to avoid becoming victims. "Violent crimes are crimes of opportunity and when you remove the element of opportunity you're reducing the risk of attack. 90 percent of self-defense is mental preparedness and 10 percent is physical," Howell said.

"Your personal weapons are

your hands, elbows, knees and feet," Howell said. This is because you have them with you at all times and they can be used for defense in a physical confrontation. Your personal weapons are highly effective when hitting an assailant properly in sensitive areas such as the groin, nose, chin and eyes. "We have always said that you are your best protection," Howell said.

The program stressed to students that they should plan ahead in order to be psychologically as well as physically ready for an attack. Students should pre-plan escapes and survival strategies in the event that they are needed.

"Don't rely on weapons such as guns and pepper spray unless you've had training," Howell said. Weapons can easily be turned on the victim. A person's best

defense is themselves."

The program also covered how to deal with fear, the importance of turning up your awareness, listening to your instincts, looking less like a victim and being assertive. Finally, the program taught basic physical self-defense techniques that students could use.

University Police will also be conducting a R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense System) self-defense class for women. Unlike the SAFE program, the majority of the class will be spent practicing physical self-defense techniques for all different types of situations. The class concludes with a simulated attack, where students get to practice their skills and techniques on a well padded officer. The class dates are Nov. 4, 6, 11 and 13 from 7-10 p.m. and instruction is free. Students must be able to make all class dates. For more

information or to sign up go to www.salisbury.edu/police.

GUC Events will be having a host of other events this semester for students. An Election Results viewing party will be held Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge where students can watch the results roll in while eating free snacks. On Thursday, Nov. 6, show off your excellent vocabulary and take part in a scrabble tournament in Nanticoke A for a chance to win a prize. Learn how to construct classic sushi rolls and take home your own rolling mat on Nov. 11 at the sushi cooking class in the Nanticoke room at 6 p.m. Students can sign up for the tournament or cooking class at the Information Desk. For more information about future GUC Events check out their Web site at www.salisbury.edu/guc/gucevents.htm.



Caitlin Tyler photo

A student displays the "Defensive Stance," in which she protects her face by putting her hands up and lowering her chin.

Weekly Greek News

Mr. ZTA competition raises money for Breast Cancer research

By Danielle Wooters
Staff Writer

This past week Zeta Tau Alpha raised close to \$700 to benefit breast cancer research and awareness through their annual male talent contest, Mr. ZTA. This year's theme was "Big Man on Campus," and all of the contestants had to compete in several different categories to vie for the title.

The categories included swimwear, best pick up line, and talent. "The contest started with 15 participants, and was narrowed down after each round until there were only four contestants after the last round. Then each contestant was asked why he thought he would make a good Mr. ZTA."

The contestants of the Mr. ZTA contest were all active members of Salisbury University's campus, and they had a wide

range of talents, from singing and playing guitar hero, to ribbon dancing. "It's great that the contestants want to come out and help us support breast cancer, the competition is always really fun to watch," said Nicholette Letersky, a member of ZTA.

Mr. ZTA raises money each year for breast cancer awareness. Zeta Tau Alpha's philanthropy. "It's so important for people to come out and watch Mr.

ZTA," said Stephanie Johnson, Mr. ZTA's chairperson. "It's always a fun way to raise money for a cause we are all very passionate about."

The winner of Mr. ZTA 2008 was Kyle Wilhite, a junior at Salisbury University. All of the proceeds from the competition, as well as money from the bake sale, and the "Date-A-Zeta" silent auction, are donated to support breast cancer awareness and education.



Danielle Wooters and Nicholette Letersky congratulate Mr. ZTA.



Sarah Lake photo

2008 Mr. Zeta Kyle Wilhite and his escort senior Katie Koper.

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A Parent Knows Best?

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

It's safe to bet that our parents influence us and have power over us; most of them probably still manage our bank accounts. But I can't help but wonder what other influences they have. So I question: do our parents really know what's best for us? Can they see what we can't?

I was amazed at all of my friends who jumped on the politi-

cal bandwagon and voted just like their parents. They had no original ideas and regurgitated the same political jargon their parents fed them.

The sad thing is this cycle of blind faith and absent mindedness goes across the board into religion and discrimination. They've used the same excuses, like "it's for our own good," or "my father's father," and "it's family tradition." But I wonder if our parents told us to sit, would we sit, then stand on our hind legs and bark for a treat too?

As a kid, a phrase that grew to annoy me was when my dad told me he went through the same thing. True he'd been a young adult but I doubt he was ever a gay one. It's like when they say a mother knows best; I'm sure what they mean is she knew what was best for her and that she had similar experiences, like heart breaks, failing a test or even transferring schools.

A friend of mine, who wanted to transfer schools to pursue extended studies, got into a nasty debate with her parents. They said "no" because they wanted to secure her future and frowned at the whole process. Parents always seemed to know what was best for us, from dressing us to giving us advice about life. But where's the line between a child who needs to be cared for and child who's already grown up?

It would be silly to argue age in

differentiating a child from an adult and although at eighteen we're legally adults, some of us "adults," no matter how old, will still let our parents run our lives. Sometimes this ranges from which classes we take and where to take them who to date.

My old friend James was always on the prowl for love. Even his parents encouraged him to date whoever he chose but when he announced he was dating someone outside their race, the race was on to convince him of all the bad things that could go wrong. Sadly to this day he is lonely and I wonder, did they really know best?

There comes a point in everyone's life where you cut the umbilical chord, learn to tie your shoes and find out what's best for you, because only you know what's best for you. And until you leave the nest, sadly, you'll never know what is.

Broadway darling returns to Salisbury

By Breanna Nunez
Staff Writer

Students were offered an extra treat on Halloween, when Broadway actress Jennifer Hope Wills made an appearance at Salisbury University's Black Box Theater for the Bobbi Biron Theater Program's alumni artist showcase. The showcase was hosted by Dr. T. Paul Pfeiffer, the artistic director of Salisbury's budding theater program and gave students and the community a chance to meet and talk with one of Salisbury's own theater success stories.

Wills started out at SU as a history education major but later changed her mind and eventually graduated with a bachelor's degree in music education. After a few unsure years of teaching, Wills packed her bags and headed off to New York in pursuit of her dream of becoming a Broadway actress.

When she arrived, reality hit and Wills quickly realized that living on her own and trying to make her dreams a reality was not as glamorous as it seemed. She pushed through the early mornings, long audition lines and countless rejections to get to where she is today, performing eight shows a week as Christine Daa in the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical "Phantom of the Opera."



Jennifer Hope Wills and SU Director of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving Jason Curtin pose with Wills' 1993 SU diploma on Friday afternoon.

"I'm so thankful that all of my big dreams came true...it's like a genie came out of a lamp and gave me all of my wishes."

Jennifer Hope Wills



Internet photo

Jennifer Hope Wills as Christine in the longest-running show in Broadway history, Andrew Lloyd Webber's The Phantom of the Opera.

Before landing her current role, Wills acted in "The Woman in White," "Wonderful Town," and "Beauty and the Beast." "I'm so thankful that all of my big dreams came true...it's like a genie came out of a lamp and gave me all of my wishes," Wills said.

Wills has traveled all along the East coast and around the country performing musicals and says that it is always wonderful once you're on stage no matter what, as long as you're doing something you love.

Wills grew up in Baltimore and nurtured her love for theater through her parent's theater company, Parker Playhouse in Ocean City. She made her first debut as the baby prince in Rumpelstiltskin before her first birthday and has not been able to give it up since.

Wills remarked how thankful she is to have come from such a small area. "Coming from a small school gave me a lot of confidence in myself...the intimate, nurturing environment gave me an edge and the courage to ultimately pursue my dreams," Wills said.

While in New York, Wills built a sure name for herself in the theater world, living out her dream each day she is on stage. "I haven't even grown tired of it, which has surprised me I have to say," Wills said.

Club Spotlight

Beginner's Italian Group

By Jillian Verpent
Staff Writer

People who attended the lecture by world traveler Doug Lansky may remember his advice - when traveling, always take time to become immersed in the culture. That is the goal of the Salisbury University students who started the Beginner's Italian Group this year.

SU seniors Kristyn Jeschelnik and Nichole Urban realized they had something in common. It was an interest in the Italian language and culture.

"Nichole and I got together and decided we had enough interest from other students to start a group," said Jeschelnik, a senior history major.

"I went to Italy last summer for a week and it was amazing. The people were really friendly and the food was awesome. I really want to go back and knowing Italian will help me enjoy it more."

Urban spent a semester studying in Florence, Italy and taught English to fourth graders. She was

very active in the Italian Club at her high school, serving as secretary, vice president and president over the course of four years.

"I want to make sure I keep speaking the language," Urban said. "If you don't use a language, you lose it."

The Italian Group usually meets twice a week in the Honors House and they try to incorporate hands-on activities to help people learn and remember the language better.

"In our meetings we try to immerse ourselves in some aspect of the Italian language," Jeschelnik said. "A couple of weeks ago we made lasagna while we learned cooking terms."

"It's easier to learn when you're doing hands-on, fun activities as opposed to just looking at a paper and studying words," Urban said.

Because of her proficiency in the Italian language, Urban puts together a list of words and phrases to go over during meetings. She focuses on one topic per meeting. They also try to apply what they learn to some type of activity and

they spend time sitting in a group and holding discussions about the Italian culture.

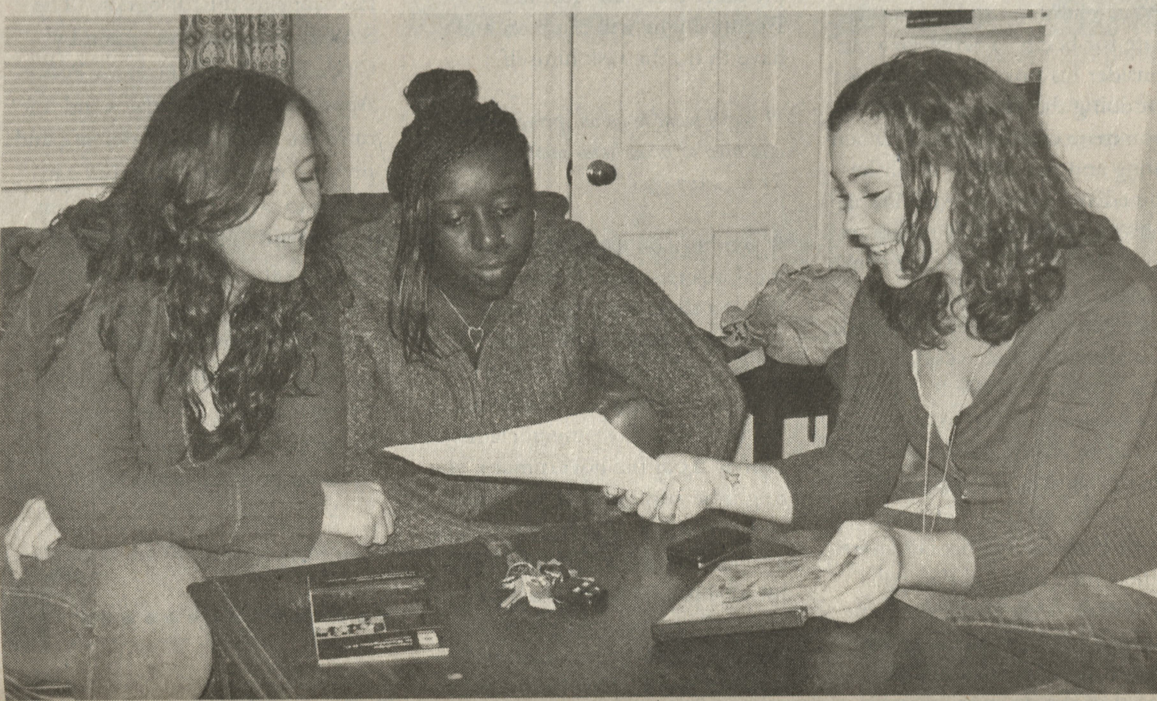
The Italian group is not officially recognized as a club on campus but they are looking into that for next semester. They have to make sure that they can generate enough interest to keep the club running once Urban and Jeschelnik graduate.

"Being officially recognized would be great because we would be able to do a lot more than just having meetings," Urban said.

Taking a field trip is high on their list. Both girls agree that a trip to Little Italy in New York or Washington, D.C. would be fun and beneficial to learning the culture.

"I think it's important to be open to other cultures and languages," Jeschelnik said. "A lot of European students learn foreign languages, especially English, so why shouldn't we learn some of theirs?"

Learning other languages promotes cooperation with people from different cultures."



Adrienne Price photo

Kristyn Jeschelnik, Christina Minikon and Nichole Urban discuss the agenda at their weekly meeting. "In our meetings we try to immerse ourselves in some aspect of the Italian language," Jeschelnik said.

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SPORTS

Football suffers defeat, loses 36-21



Dan McFarland photo

Players go airborne for the ball during Saturday's game. Despite the effort, SU came up short against Wesley, 36-21. The Gulls will return to action on Nov. 15 to face conference rival Frostburg in the Regents Cup.

By Chris Brown
Staff Writer

The No. 17 Salisbury University football team (7-2, ACFC 1-1) hosted conference foe No. 14 Wesley College (6-1, ACFC 3-0) in the annual Route 13 rivalry game before a crowd of 2,639 on Saturday. The Gulls fell behind early despite winning the time of possession battle in the first half and were never able to establish an offensive rhythm as Salisbury

ran for a season low 191 yards. "I am proud of our kids. They continued to fight throughout the game," said head coach Sherman Wood. In the second half, Salisbury managed to cut the deficit to eight but a late fourth quarter touchdown by Wesley cemented the game's final score at 36-21.

Senior wide receiver Kevin Tillage had 148 all-purpose yards for Salisbury while senior quarterback Ronnie Curley totaled 107

yards rushing and 137 yards passing. The Gulls surprised fans in the first half as they attempted several passes, but coach Wood said that was part of the team's initial game plan. "They have an outstanding front line, and it was important that we kept them honest," Wood said. Salisbury entered the game on Saturday sporting the top rushing offense in Division III, but a swarming Wesley defense led by linebacker Sean Matthews' 16 tackles held the

Gulls to just four yards a carry. "I thought we had a good game plan, but there were a few times on defense where we were unable to stop them," Wood said. Wesley was able to capitalize on plush field position throughout the game, and with a shorter field to work with the Wolverines accumulated 21 first downs and 429 yards of total offense. "We didn't stop them on defense when we needed to, and to me that was the difference in the ball game," Wood said. Senior linebacker Matt Barnes led the Salisbury defense with nine tackles, and preseason All-American Jarrell Chandler added seven tackles, one sack and a fumble recovery.

The loss marks the first time this season that Salisbury has been unable to defeat a conference opponent and with the victory Wesley secured its third straight Atlantic Central Football Conference championship. Wesley has now won its last four meetings against Salisbury. "I told the guys to keep their heads up because the best team won today," Wood said. The Gulls have a bye next week, but will return to action on Nov. 15 to face conference rival Frostburg in the tenth annual Regents Cup which will be played at the U.S. Naval Academy. "I'm giving the players Monday off so that they can rest and study. We will start preparing for Frostburg on Tuesday," Wood said.

Cross Country CAC champs: Jones takes home C.O.Y. honor

By Therrian Dennis
Staff Writer

The Sea Gull cross country team made history this past Saturday as they added two more championship plaques to their running tradition at the Capital Athletic Conference championship meet held at the Indian Acres Club. Both the men and women showed nothing but dominance as they finished first in their respective races for the third time in school history.

"Today was a great day for our team and tradition at Salisbury University," said head coach Jim Jones. Jones took home the men's Coach of the Year honor for the fourth consecutive season, and his seventh overall.

Led by senior Zack Dickerson, the men finished their 8k race only seven points shy of a perfect score. Dickerson finished second overall with a time of 27:16. The Eagles' Frank DeVlar finished first with a time of 26:34. "Zack has been the leader all year," Jones said. "He made sure the team understood what this championship meant to him and the program."

Dickerson, along with his fellow seniors, won their fourth consecutive championship in a row. "It boils down to our seniors," Jones said. "The senior men won their fourth championship in a row! No other team in the history of the SU cross country program has ever achieved this goal." Also finishing in the top eight was junior Travis Boecher, who finished third behind Dickerson with a time of 27:38; sophomores Sam Boimov and Chris Barnard, who finished fourth and sixth with times of 27:42 and

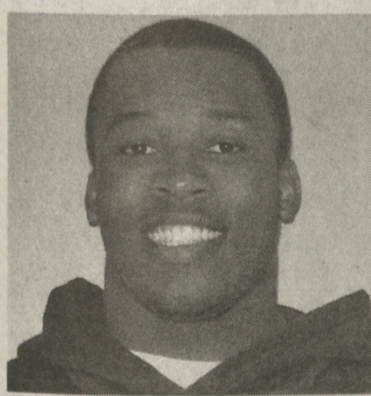
27:49 respectively, and senior Bill Nastasiak, who finished seventh with a time of 28:04.

The women, led by sophomore Kristin Stromberg, edged the defending champion Eagles by two points to win their fourth title in the past five seasons. "The women had to fight every inch of the race," Jones said.

Stromberg finished second in the 6k race with a time of 24:10. Mary Washington's Hayley Sullivan finished first with a time of 22:53. Also finishing in the top eight was senior Jenn Bulger, who finished third with a time of 24:12, senior Amy DeMichele, who finished fifth with a time of 24:29 and sophomore Masha Berge, who finished seventh with a time of 24:33. "The women worked as a team, as they have done all year," Jones said. The Sea Gulls will next race in the 2008 NCAA Division III Mid-east Regional's Nov. 15, in Waynesburg, Pa.

Student Athlete Spotlight

McCall Tyler



By Rachel Grau
Staff Writer

Senior defensive end McCall Tyler understands the need for a strong defense and knows just what it takes to be a good football player on a winning team. Tyler comes from Pilesgrove, New Jersey where he started playing football twelve years ago. He got started playing football because his dad wanted him too, but wasn't allowed to play until age 10. Tyler is an all-around football player. He was quarterback for his high

school team before coming to play defensive end for Salisbury. Tyler has started in over half of the Sea Gull games this year and has recorded nine solo tackles and three assisted tackles for the Sea Gull defense. Tyler and the rest of the football team will finish up their regular season on Nov. 15 when they play Frostburg State for the Regents Cup.

It's been said that you look just like pro basketball player Dwight Howard. How do you feel about that? Well, I mean we're both very good-looking guys.

Which two teams would you like to see face off in the Super Bowl this year? Definitely the Philadelphia Eagles and probably the Pittsburgh Steelers.

What are your plans for after graduation? Probably go to med school somewhere.

What is your favorite thing about playing defense? Rushing the passer is probably my favorite thing to do.

What made you come to Salisbury?

Well, football was a big part and my parents also made me look into it and then I realized it was a good school all around.

What is your favorite class you've taken thus far at Salisbury? Probably zoology with Dr. Barse. I think I took that my freshman year.

What do you think it takes to be a good football player? I don't want to sound cliché, but I probably will, but you have to be smart, work hard and be determined every time you're out there.

Who do you think deserves the Heisman this year? Right now I'm going to say Colt McCoy from the Texas Longhorns.

Who is your favorite NFL team? It's always been the Eagles.

What would you say is your favorite food to eat? Probably any type of burger, with cheese, bacon and lettuce.

Where do you hope to live after graduation? I thought about maybe moving out west, but if I were to stay in Maryland I would move to the western part of Maryland.

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Swimming

The SU swim teams split a CAC tri-meet on Saturday. SU's men's and women's teams beat Gallaudet 3-0 last Wednesday. Senior Stacey Krebs led the Gulls with 11 kills and two solo blocks. Sophomore Alexandria Malesick and juniors Rachel Downes and Nicole Massarelli combined for 19 kills. Senior Jaime Marobodi led the Gulls with 32 assists.

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8 to take on Marymount University. Volleyball

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Thursday, Nov. 6. The start time has not yet been determined.

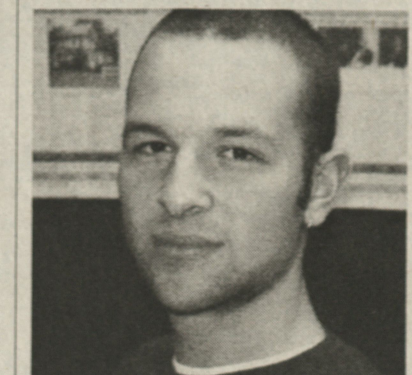
Men's Soccer

The SU men's soccer team (8-4-3, CAC 4-1-2) finished their regular season against the University of Mary Washington last Tuesday. The two teams finished in a double overtime tie 0-0.

Seniors Ryan Chacon, Steve Merrow and junior Justin McGrath led SU's defense helping junior goalie Greg Wellinghoff earn his tenth shutout of the season. The Gulls will enter the CAC tournament as the No. 3 seed. The tournament begins on Nov. 2.

Editor's Corner

Where in the world is Jannero Pargo?



By Jeffrey Southworth
Sports Editor

The pressing issue in the NBA goes beyond Eddie Curry's diet and trying to find Drew Gooden a new stylist. The emergence of European basketball clubs as a worldwide basketball power and financial heaven is making its way to the United States. The last big name to travel over seas was Josh Childress, formally of the Atlanta Hawks, who signed with Olympiacos.

Kids around the world are starting to play basketball and if the Olympics and World Games have taught us anything it is that European talent can compete with American talent. Pargo enters the conversation because the apparent reason he left was for more money. European clubs are willing to offer large tax free contracts that the NBA can't. With the European talent pool growing, and the pro teams being able to offer more money than NBA teams, we may see a shift in basketball dominance. See Brandon Jennings.

Pargo provided last year's Hornets team with a bench player who could contribute immediately as well as run the starting offense. Pargo averaged eight points and two and a half rebounds a game in 19 minutes. This year, Pargo has been replaced by veteran Mike

James. James is a valuable component to a winning roster, but may not be able to offer the Hornets the streaky scoring and crunch time minutes that Pargo gave them. James has better career averages, but lacks the post season numbers that Pargo had. In last year's post season, Pargo gave the Hornets 22 minutes off the bench along with 10 points and two assists.

So where in the world is Jannero Pargo in 2008-09? Moscow, Russia. Pargo signed with the Russian basketball club Dynamo Moscow. This season, the Malibu Forest Fire won't be spreading in New Orleans, but will be taking his NBA manicured game to the Russian pro league. Pargo leaving the NBA for Europe is bad for the Hornets, but even worse for the NBA. It may be a sign of a shift in basketball supremacy.

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SU swims into another season

By Edward Baidoo
Staff Writer

This year's men's and women's swimming team's are looking forward to improving on the solid seasons they both had last year. Last season, they combined to break sixteen school records, of which ten came during the CAC Tournament. They are led by head coach Jill Stephenson who is entering her fourteenth year of coaching.

The men's swimming team finished last season with a 7-4 record and came in third place in the CAC. The women's swimming team also improved last season to achieve a 6-5 record and a fourth place finish in the conference.

"Last year, the men finished third and women finished fourth. We are hoping to equal or better that this season. Along with that,

this sport is all about personal bests. Last year we had 96 percent best times and we are hoping to get that or better this season, even up to one hundred percent best times," Stephenson said.

To achieve and exceed these goals this year both teams will have to overcome some key losses from last year. On the men's side, they lost two All-CAC swimmers in Cole Magnus and Ross Spangler and the women lost All-CAC swimmer Becky Ayers. Despite the losses, Stephenson is optimistic that the team will fill the void left by these swimmers and will do a great job.

One of the ways Stephenson is helping to improve this team is through a newly installed weight-training program, and it has already shown benefits in the opening meet last Tuesday against Rowan. "One of the things we are doing

differently is weight training. There seemed to be a difference in fitness between us and Rowan. Getting out of the pool, they were showing fatigue and our swimmers came out feeling fine. There is a big difference in the team as a result of the weight training program," Stephenson said.

The women got off to a good start to begin the season as they defeated Rowan University 134-128. The men did not fare as well losing 160-101, but Stephenson was pleased at the starts that both teams had.

"The women beating Rowan was huge because we had never beaten them until now. The men scored over a hundred versus Rowan for the second time, which is huge for us, though we did not win. It was big for us to score over one hundred versus Rowan," Stephenson said.

SU athletes win CAC Player of the Week

By Wayne Turner
Staff Writer

Shelby Fisher, from Baltimore, was football's ACFC Offensive Player of the Week for the week of Oct. 27. His performance against Becker College earned him the honor. The senior superback rushed for 4 career-high of 186 yards on 21 carries. So far this season, he has run through and jumped over defenders rushing for 794 yards on 126 carries. "This accomplishment came over with my fellow iron-man and SU linebacker Matthew Bookard," Fisher said. The Salisbury football team is ranked No. 16 in the country with a record of 7-2. "I expect for us to win the ACFC Conference Championship and enter the

national playoffs," Shelby said. Ryan Chacon, a native of Laytonville, was men's soccer CAC Player of the Week. Chacon, a co-captain for the Gulls and senior defenseman held Maryland to just four shots on Oct. 22. Chacon believes the soccer team has grown closer and matured and has moved forward with the help of talented freshman. "I do not care too much about any awards or such, as long as I play well and my team plays well together and we do everything we can to win games then I feel my expectations are met," Chacon said.

Junior Rachel Downes from SU's women's volleyball recorded 13 kills and 17 digs against St. Mary's last week, which enabled her to be honored as AVCA Division III National Player of the

Week. She is the first-ever Sea Gull to earn this award. Before every game Rachel tries to remain focused and remember what coach has said to the team. She also prays before each game begins. "My expectations this season are definitely pretty high. We are all hoping for another CAC championship and another shot at the NCAA tournament," Downes said. Tara McGovern is a freshman back for the SU field hockey team. She was awarded CAC player of the week for the week of Oct. 27. McGovern has been a reason for the success of the program this season. She now has two goals, four assists and eight points on the season. McGovern led the team to victories over Stevenson and Mary-Washington to clinch the top seed in the CAC tournament.

SU teams dominate CAC championships

By Tom Watson
Staff Writer

With the fall 2008 regular season nearly wrapped up, the Salisbury Sea Gulls looked poised to strike when the playoffs begin. Of the six fall athletic programs, four will be hosting CAC matches and three have claimed the top seed in the CAC tournament.

The No. 21 SU women's volleyball team has dominated their regular season, capping it off with their thirty-third straight victory in a shutout win over Gallaudet 3-0. The returning conference champions (33-1, CAC 8-0) have clinched the No. 1 seed and a first round bye. Salisbury is set to host the CAC tournament starting with a semifinal match against the winner of Gallaudet and Mary Washington on Nov. 6.

The No. 9 ranked SU field hockey team (13-3, CAC 6-0) also ended their regular season with a shutout victory over Catholic University propelling them to the No. 1 seed in the CAC playoffs. They will host the semifinal round against the winner of Stevenson University and Wesley College on Nov. 5 at Sea Gull Stadium where they will begin the hunt for their fourteenth straight CAC Championship. They will also host the championship game on Nov. 8.

The Salisbury men's soccer team (12-3-3, CAC 5-2-1) ended their regular season with a double overtime tie at Mary Washington after a 5-0 victory three days earlier

against Marymount (Va.). Though the defending CAC champion Sea Gulls are not the No. 1 seed in this year's tournament, the Gulls look to advance as they host the quarterfinal round against Marymount (Va.) Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. If they advance, they will face Mary Washington on the road.

The SU women's soccer season (8-4-4, CAC 6-0-2) ended a little more dramatically as junior forward Christina Eury netted the game-winning OT goal against St. Mary's (Md.) to earn the Sea Gulls the No. 1 seed in the tournament as the top seeded Gulls look to win their first CAC championship since 2006. The Gulls were granted a first round bye and will resume play in the semifinal round of the tournament on Nov. 4.

The Salisbury men's and women's cross country teams swept the CAC championships this past Saturday in Fredericksburg, Va. The men's team, led by senior and first place finisher Zack Dickerson, was seven points away from a perfect score, 16 ahead of second place Mary Washington with 22, giving them their fourth straight CAC championship.

The women's team, anchored by sophomore Kristin Stromberg's second place finish, edged out last year's champion, Mary Washington, by two points to earn their fourth championship in the last five years. It is the third time in the history of the program that both teams have won the CAC. The last time was in 2006.

Gulls shutout Catholic at end of regular season

By Shawn Nisson
Staff Writer

The No. 9 ranked Salisbury University field hockey team (13-3, CAC 6-0) concluded their regular season schedule by shutting out non-conference foe Catholic University 1-0 Wednesday night at Sea Gull Stadium.

Salisbury and Catholic (10-6) engaged each other for over 63 minutes before either team could crack the scoreboard. SU's Beverly Beladino would score the lone tally of the night with just over six minutes remaining. Beladino redirected a pass from the stick of sophomore Courtney Webster off a Salisbury penalty corner.

While the Gulls out shot Catholic 11-3 for the game, there were stretches throughout the contest that the Cardinals controlled. "We just really played flat," said head coach Dawn Chamberlin.

"We came out, we had no intensity. Whatever could go wrong went wrong, and once that starts to happen it's a domino effect and it just trickled throughout the entire team and they got inside their own heads."

"We definitely picked it up in the second half, especially in the final fifteen minutes of the game," Chamberlin said. "The second half, as a whole, we picked it up because we knew if we didn't we weren't going to win and we didn't want to end our regular season with a loss."

After scoring, the Gulls did not let off the pressure as they held the ball in Catholic's defensive zone draining the clock and the Cardinals' hopes of pulling even. "You know you're most vulnerable after you score a goal in either direction," Chamberlin said. "So you have to be on your game even sharper. So when they called that



Brett Morgan photo

The Sea Gulls fight for control of the ball against Catholic during Wednesday night's game. Salisbury defeated Catholic 1 - 0.

timeout, I told them now is the time we have to take control and not give them any opportunities. We really did that, we broke up every play that they tried and we kept them out of scoring opportunities."

Salisbury will be the top seed in the upcoming CAC tournament and will host a conference semifinal game on Wednesday against the winner of Wesley College and Stevenson University.

Women's basketball takes on a fresh new look

By Jeremy Kummer
Staff Writer

From players to coaches, this year's women's basketball team is stacked with new faces. Charisse Mapp is in her second season as head coach and will try to guide her young team to a successful season. Salisbury's coaching staff has not made the final cuts, but has a good idea as to where the team is going. "We will have anywhere from about eight to 11 total on our roster, five to eight of which will be incoming freshmen," Mapp said.

Last year, Salisbury went 12-15

with a modest 8-8 in conference record. However, this year's team will unquestionably have their work cut out for them. The team will have to account for massive losses on the offensive end. "We lost about 60 percent of our offensive scoring from people not returning," Mapp said. "But there is a lot of excitement about our other returning players as well as freshmen stepping up."

One cause for excitement about this year's team is Mapp ironing out the problems of last year. Mapp played college basketball at University of North Carolina and has coached at many good

schools from Temple to North Carolina State. Mapp has been around the coaching world and it is only a matter of time before she leads Salisbury to big things. Salisbury will be extremely young player wise, but extremely experienced coaching wise, which could be a recipe for a surprisingly successful year.

Salisbury does not need to blow out every opponent or do that much different from last year. Being 8-8 in conference and making it to the tournament semifinals is not that disappointing of year.

Salisbury opens up their new

season with the Kean University Tip-Off tournament on Nov. 15. Their first home game is against The College of New Jersey at 2 p.m. on Nov. 22. TCNJ was 13-14 last year and should give Salisbury a competitive match-up. Salisbury's first conference game is against Mary Washington who was the best team in the CAC last year. Mary Washington was 15-1 in conference and 28-3 overall last season. The Sea Gulls will look to start the season off with an impressive, underdog win against an opponent who might not be taking them as seriously as they should.

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday-11/4	Wednesday-11/5	Thursday-11/6	Friday-11/7	Saturday-11/8	Sunday-11/9	Monday-11/10
* Volleyball CAC Tournament - Quarterfinals * Women's Soccer CAC Tournament - Semifinals	* Field Hockey CAC Semifinals * Men's Soccer CAC Tournament - Semifinals	* Volleyball CAC Tournament - Semifinals		* Field Hockey CAC Championship * Men's Soccer CAC Tournament - Championship * Volleyball CAC Tournament - Championship * Women's Soccer CAC Tournament - Championship * 2 p.m. Swimming @ Marymount		



Here's What's Coming!

COLLEGE NIGHT
Every Thursday!
No Cover Charge!
DJ from 9:30 til Close
FREE POOL
9PM til 1:30AM with
College ID
ONE DOLLAR DOMESTIC DRAFTS!

Our Famous Halloween Party with
Permillia is coming Fri., Oct. 31st!
Prizes for Costumes! Happy Hour All Night!
AND COMING IN NOVEMBER...

- 1 - Betty Ford Dropouts
- 6 - College Night - DJ & No Cover
- 7 - Smylin Jack
- 8 - Voyager
- 13 - TBA
- 14 - Crash Nelson
- 15 - The Craze
- 20 - College Night - DJ & No Cover
- 21 - Lloyd Dobler Effect
- 22 - What Mama Said

**We Have Budget - Stretching
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your tab after 11PM if you work at
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MENU

PIZZA (Original Round)	CAESAR WINGS*
One Topping Pizza.....\$6.99 <small>(Any One Regular Topping, Excludes Extra Cheese)</small>	Chicken wings are seasoned with our own spicy sauce available in mild, medium or hot.
Supreme.....\$8.00 <small>(Pepperoni, Sausage, Green Pepper, Mushroom & Onion)</small>	5 Pieces.....\$2.79
3-Meat Treat*.....\$7.99 <small>(Pepperoni, Sausage & Bacon)</small>	10 Pieces.....\$4.99
Hula Hawaiian*.....\$7.99 <small>(Ham & Pineapple)</small>	20 Pieces.....\$8.99
Meats*.....\$8.99 <small>(Pepperoni, Ham, Beef, Sausage & Bacon)</small>	30 Pieces.....\$12.99
Veggie.....\$7.99 <small>(Mushroom, Green Pepper, Onion & Black Olive)</small>	SIDES
Cheeser Pleaser.....\$7.99 <small>(Loaded with Cheese & Any 2 Toppings)</small>	Crazy Combo*.....\$1.99 <small>(6 Pieces of Crazy Bread and Crazy Sauce)</small>
Baby Pan!Pan!.....\$2.79 <small>(Two 4oz Pizzas with One Topping)</small>	Crazy Bread*.....\$1.99
TOPPINGS (Regular)	Crazy Sauce*.....\$0.99
Pepperoni, Sausage, Beef, Ham, Mushroom, Green Pepper, Onion, Black Olives	Italian Cheese Bread.....\$3.99 <small>(10 Pieces)</small>
Pineapple.....\$1.99 Each	Pepperoni Cheese Bread.....\$3.99 <small>(10 Pieces)</small>
Extra Cheese.....\$1.50 Each	CAESAR DIPS*
TOPPINGS (Premium)	Buttery Garlic, Ranch, Blue Cheese.....\$0.95 Each
Bacon, Chicken, Anchovies.....\$1.79 Each	DRINKS
	Pepper, Oni Pepper, Mountain Dew, Semi Sweet, Dr. Pepper*, Hawaiian Punch.
	20 oz.....\$1.29
	2 Liter.....\$1.99

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LARGE PIZZA
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